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	10/711,292	JOHNSON ET AL.
Notice of Abandonment	Examiner	Art Unit
	Russell D. Stormer	3617
The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address		
This application is abandoned in view of:		
<ol> <li>Applicant's failure to timely file a proper reply to the Office letter mailed on 16 January 2008.</li> <li>(a) ☐ A reply was received on (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated), which is after the expiration of the period for reply (including a total extension of time of month(s)) which expired on</li> <li>(b) ☐ A proposed reply was received on, but it does not constitute a proper reply under 37 CFR 1.113 (a) to the final rejection.</li> </ol>		
(A proper reply under 37 CFR 1.113 to a final rejection consists only of: (1) a timely filed amendment which places the		
application in condition for allowance; (2) a timely filed Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee); or (3) a timely filed Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114).		
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(d) ⊠ No reply has been received.		
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